

# Schedule for the Fourth Critical Studies Conference 2011 - Development, Logistics, and Governance

## Academy of Fine Arts, Kolkata

[Note: Paper presenters will get 15 minutes each; the panel discussant will offer comments on the papers of the panel within 10 minutes; this will be followed by general discussion for 30 minutes; the chair will sum up.]

### 08 September 2011

Venue: Academy of Fine Arts  
2, Cathedral Road, Kolkata-71

09.30-10.00 a.m. – Registration

10.00-11.20 a.m. – Capitalism and State-Formation

- From a pre-historical Western case in logistics (*Die Maßnahme*, by Bertolt Brecht) to a futuristic evolution of globalization (*Measure for Measure*, by William Shakespeare): **Pierangelo Schiera**, Fondazione Roberto Ruffilli, Forli, Italy.
- Political logistics and the Indian (post)colonial state: **Giorgio Grappi**, University of Bologna

Chair: **Arun Patnaik**, University of Hyderabad

Discussant: **Lakshmi Subramaniam**, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta

11.20-11.40 p.m. – Tea

11.40-01.00 p.m. – War, Conflicts and War by Other Means

- The wall is an apparatus: **Ranabir Samaddar**, Calcutta Research Group
- A Gigantic panopticon: Modes of discipline and punishment in Northeast India: **Sajal Nag**, Assam University

Chair: **Hari Vasudevan**, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies, Kolkata

Discussant: **Sandro Mezzadra**, University of Bologna

01.00-02.00 p.m. – Lunch

02.00-03.20 p.m. - Special Lecture by **Eyal Weizman**, University of London

Chair: **Ranabir Samaddar**, Calcutta Research Group

**03.20-03.40 p.m. – Tea**

**03.40-05.00 p.m. – Resource Use: Social Power and Elements of Development-I**

- Forest valuation: **Ashok Agrwal**, Advocate
- Risking lives for remittances: A look into the management and governance of labour migration processes from Bangladesh: **Uttam Kumar Das**, South Asian Institute of Advanced Legal and Human Rights Studies, Dhaka

**Chair:** **Priya Sangameswaran**, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta  
**Discussant:** **Anup K. Sinha**, Indian Institute of Management-Calcutta

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**09.30-10.50 a.m. – Resource Use: Social Power and Elements of Development-II**

- Possibilities, manoeuvres and management: Some issues in land, development and governance in Bihar in 1947: **Jishnu Dasgupta**, Serampore College, University of Calcutta
- The logistics of developmental and water governance in India: **A.C. Shukla**, Independent Scholar; **Vandana Asthana**, Eastern Washington University

**Chair:** **Suhit K. Sen**, Calcutta Research Group  
**Discussant:** **Prasanta K. Ray**, Calcutta Research Group

**10.50-11.10 a.m. – Tea**

**11.10-12.30 p.m. – Economy and Governmental Rationalities**

- Developmental logistics in Indian planning and in the post-reform era: Reflections on the idea of “inclusiveness”: **Basudeb Chaudhuri**, Centre de Sciences Humaines, New Delhi
- Supply chains and farm income: The experiences of ‘Just Change’: **John Jacob**, Just Change India Producer Company, Tamil Nadu

**Chair:** **Sugata Marjit**, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta  
**Discussant:** **Swati Ghosh**, Rabindra Bharati University, Calcutta

**12.30-01.30 p.m. - Lunch**

**01.30-02.50 p.m. – Surveillance, Labour and State Power**

- Tracking and tracing bodies: new technologies of governance and the logistics industries: **Anja Kanngieser**, University of Western Sydney
- Tagging the body: Enumerable population and modes of state outposts: **Parthasarathi Banerjee**, National Institute of Science, Technology and Development Studies, New Delhi

**Chair:** **Samir K. Das**, University Of Calcutta

**Discussant:** **Manabi Majumdar**, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta

**02.50-03.10 p.m. – Tea**

**03.10-04.30 p.m. – Migration and Trafficking: The Logistics of Mobility**

- Logistics of migrant labour: A case study of Bihar: **Mithilesh Kumar**, Calcutta Research Group
- Trafficking, migration and commuting logistics of underdevelopment: **Nirmala Banerjee**, formerly of Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta

**Chair:** **Brett Neilson**, University of Western Sydney

**Discussant:** **Samita Sen**, Jadavpur University, Calcutta

**05.00-06.30 p.m. – Distinguished Lecture by Cui Zhiyuan (Tsinghua University): The Megacity Experiment in Chongqing**

**Chair:** **Itty Abraham**, University of Texas at Austin

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**09.30-10.50 a.m. – Election, Insurrection and the Liberal Project**

- Logistics of elections in India: A critique: **Sabyasachi Basu Ray Chaudhury**, Rabindra Bharati University, Calcutta
- Developmental logistics and (Leninist) governmentality in China: **Carolyn Cartier**, University of Technology, Sydney

**Chair:** **Ned Rossiter**, University of Western Sydney

**Discussant:** **Krishna Reddy**, University of Hyderabad

**10.50-11.10 a.m. – Tea**

### **11.10-01.00 p.m. – Configuring Spaces: The Logic of Administration**

- Producing urban Spaces as fields of subjectivities: **Livio Boni**, University of Toulouse Le Mirail.
- The final making of colonial Jalpaiguri, 1865-1900: **Atig Ghosh**, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies, Kolkata
- Power, authority and mobility in seventeenth-century North India: **Anindita Mukhopadhyay**, University of Hyderabad

**Chair:** **Keya Dasgupta**, formerly of Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta

**Discussant:** **Somnath Ghoshal**, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta

### **01.00-02.00 p.m. – Lunch**

### **02.00-03.20 p.m. – Local Modes, Local Epistemologies**

- Emergence of the 'mission mode' of state-craft: Ethnographic explorations in a watershed project in Odisha, India: **Sailen Routray**, Azim Premji University, Bangalore.

**Chair:** **Dipankar Sinha**, University of Calcutta

**Discussant:** **Ruchira Goswami**, National University of Juridical Science, Kolkata

### **03.20-03.30 p.m. - Tea**

### **03.30-04.50 p.m. – Reading change: The Politics of Democracy and Revolution**

- Contextualizing post-war transition in Sri Lanka: Growth with militarization and the logistics of humiliation: **Darini Rajasingham Senanayake**, International Centre for Ethnic Studies, Colombo.
- Planning a fantastic revolution: Texts and cases towards a logistics of resistance: **Agnibho Gangopadhyay**, University of Oxford

**Chair:** **Pradip K. Bose**, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta

**Discussant:** **Dwaipayan Bhattacharya**, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta

### **04.50-05.00 p.m. - Vote of Thanks: Samir Kumar Das, President, Calcutta Research Group**

**Note: This programme is subject to alteration**